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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### *Moderator*

Harry B. Tuttle

### *Board of Selectmen*

George W. White	Term Expires 1955
Robert A. Griffin	Term Expires 1954
Robert S. Hotchkiss	Term Expires 1953

### *Town Clerk and Town Treasurer*

Ruth L. Sawyer

### *Tax Collector*

Harry B. Tuttle

### *Ballot Inspectors*

Annie Nason	Flora Currier
Gladys G. Wood	Etta L. Nye

### *Supervisors of the Check List*

Leslie Rockwell	Allister F. MacDonald
Mildred Illsley	

### *Constable*

Wilbur Moody

### *Police Officers*

Wilbur Moody, Chief of Police

Wilbur Moody (Dog Officer)	Harry B. Tuttle
Benjamin W. Lake	Walter S. Brock
Edgar Smith	Warren Kolb

### *Highway Agent*

Daniel Stewart

### *Sexton*

Daniel Stewart

*Trustees of Trust Funds*

Benjamin O. Wood	Term Expires 1955
Gladys James	Term Expires 1954
Arthur H. Sawyer	Term Expires 1953

*Library Trustees*

Marjorie Barnum	Term Expires 1955
Florence Scott	Term Expires 1954
Anita Hamilton	Term Expires 1953

*Auditors*

Harlon C. Dyke	Philo Hutcheson
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*Health Officer*

Milton P. Wood

*Memorial Day Committee*

George Rollins	Wilfred C. Senter
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*Surveyors of Wood and Lumber*

Warren Kolb	George M. Mason
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*Fence Viewers*

Leslie Rockwell	Henry L. Nye
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*Atkinson Fire Department*

To Report a Fire Dial 2-8440

1953 Directorate

*Administrative*

Allister F. MacDonald	President
Halbert K. Swift	Vice-President
Kingdon H. Hamilton	Secretary
Austin B. Wason	Treasurer

*Executive*

Wilbur R. Moody	Chief
Wilfred Senter	Deputy Chief
Clarence W. Kinney	Engineer

Kenneth H. Hurteau	Engineer
Warren E. Kolb	Engineer
Kenneth H. Hurteau	Maintenance Supervisor

## MEMBERS

Robert H. Bailey	Malcolm C. Noyes
Leroy D. Barnum	Donald H. Nye
Robert Griffin	Earl Pratt
Robert S. Hotchkiss	Elgin E. Reynolds
Kingdon H. Hamilton	Howard M. Richards, Jr.
Kenneth H. Hurteau	David J. Rockwell
Ralph W. Jury	George Rollins
Clarence W. Kinney	Ernest R. Scott
Warren E. Kolb	Wilfred Senter
William B. Little	Halbert K. Swift
Allister F. MacDonald	Bernard Toshach
Hubbard McEwen	Austin B. Wason
Wilbur R. Moody	

*Honorary Members*

Ward Wright	Edwin Wilson, USNR
Leslie Rockwell	Meredith Reynolds, USNR
	Carroll Still

## TOWN OF ATKINSON

## TOWN WARRANT

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Atkinson, in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Grange Hall, in said Atkinson on Tuesday, the tenth day of March, next at one of the clock in the afternoon, close not earlier than seven P. M. to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 (four hundred dollars) for rent of Grange Hall for use of Town and School purposes, also for community, recreational and educational meetings to be held under the following conditions for the ensuing year: (a) no meeting to be over 4 hours duration; (b) meetings not to exceed 3 per month, except under special circumstances; (c) paid entertainments sponsored by the aforesaid groups to be charged for at the rate of \$4.00 per meeting to be paid for by the groups to the Atkinson Grange Hall Committee; (d) all arrangements for meetings to be approved by the Selectmen and the Hall Janitor; (e) the meetings to be properly chaperoned.

4. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 (two hundred dollars) which includes the amount required by law for Kimball Public Library.

5. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 (one thousand dollars) to pay Note 94 for Island Pond Road.



6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to straighten the first curve on Meditation Lane, south of Main Street.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Town Dump.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to repaint street signs.

9. By request of Forestry Commission. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for control of White Pine Blister Rust.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to insure highway employees.

11. To see if the Town will vote to give 2% (two percent) discount on present year's taxes if paid within 30 (thirty) days of receipt of warrant.

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to distribute the blank inventories at the time they examine and appraise the property to be taxed.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as the Town will need in anticipation of taxes.

14. To hear reports of Town Officers and Committees, act on same and transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Business meeting will be adjourned until Saturday evening, March 14, 1953.

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H.

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Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953, Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952.

### SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1952	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1952	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1953
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$500.00	\$1,568.07	\$800.00
Railroad Tax	4.00	5.03	4.00
Savings Bank Tax	11.00	13.25	12.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		97.50	
Head Tax Refund		13.90	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	250.00	320.50	250.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		5.00	
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	40.00	44.99	40.00
Fire Damage		15.76	
Yield Tax	200.00		200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,200.00	1,531.55	1,200.00
Tel. Toll		3.30	
Sale of Town Property Cemetery Lots		110.00	
Revolver Permits		4.00	3.00
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
Anticipation of Taxes		2,985.00	

## TOWN OF ATKINSON

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From Local Taxes Other Than

Property Taxes :

(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	500.00	460.00	450.00
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Total Revenues From All Sources

Except Property Taxes	\$2,705.00	\$7,177.85	\$2,959.00
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Total Revenues

\$2,959.00

## PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

## Current Maintenance Expenses:

	Appropriations Previous Year 1952	Actual Exp'ditures Previous Year 1952	Estimated Exp'ditures Ensuing Year 1953
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,600.00	\$1,440.54	\$1,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00	922.56	850.00
Election and Registration Expenses	175.00	180.02	100.00
Selectmen's Special	200.00	355.00	300.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	400.00	400.00	400.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Tank Truck	1.00	1.00	
Police Department	200.00	275.85	350.00
Fire Department	1,000.00	818.32	1,000.00
Spraying	250.00	250.00	250.00
Forest Fires	150.00	26.89	150.00
Health:			
Health Department, including Hospitals	25.00		25.00
Vital Statistics	25.00	16.10	25.00
Remove Dutch Elm Disease	200.00	105.00	200.00
Town Dump	100.00	91.00	
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	1,000.00	1,036.89	800.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,800.00	1,438.38	2,000.00
Street Lighting	800.00	807.34	800.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	350.00	327.21	200.00
Town Road Aid	201.53	201.53	200.53
Libraries and Insurance	355.00	324.76	200.00

## TOWN OF ATKINSON

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## Public Welfare :

Town Poor	2,000.00	1,083.88	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,700.00	1,474.69	1,800.00

## Patriotic Purposes :

Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	150.00	154.38	150.00
Aid to Soldiers and Their Families	50.00		50.00

## Recreation :

Parks and Playgrounds, including Band Concerts	20.00	6.50	20.00
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## Public Service Enterprises :

Cemeteries	300.00	248.65	300.00
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## Unclassified :

Damages and Legal Expenses, Including Dog Damage	100.00	34.75	50.00
Abatements Refunded		1.68	
Bounties		.25	

## Interest :

On Long Term Notes and Bonds	75.00	75.00	50.00
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## Highways and Bridges :

Town Construction	2,350.00	2,408.40	
Fence Water Holes	75.00	50.23	
Adding Machine and Sander	550.00	566.50	
Resurface Tar Roads	2,500.00	1,764.91	3,000.00

## Payment on Principal of Debt :

(a) Temporary Loans		3,000.00	
(b) Long Term Notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
(c) Head Tax		2,417.67	
(d) Tax Sale		1,803.60	

## Payments to Other Governmental

## Divisions :

County Taxes	1,955.83	1,955.83	
School Taxes	26,369.87	18,567.79	

## Total Expenditures

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\$48,828.23	\$45,633.10	\$17,270.53
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### VALUATION

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Lands and Buildings	
(Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$639,675.00
Mature Wood and Timber	
(Chapter 295, Laws of 1949)	1,525.00
Electric Plants	29,390.00
Horses, Asses and Mules (6)	300.00
Cows (159)	22,225.00
Other Neat Stock (7)	525.00
Sheep and Goats (1)	20.00
Fowls (2,686)	3,025.00
Boats and Launches (5)	950.00
Portable Mills (1)	100.00
Wood, Lumber, etc. (99,000 ft.)	3,820.00
Stock in Trade (3)	1,400.00
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Total Gross Valuation	\$702,955.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	31,380.00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$671,575.00

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Hall Equipment	\$80.00
Library, Land and Buildings	4,000.00
Library Equipment	1,500.00
Police Department	20.00
Fire Department: Land and Buildings	2,500.00
Equipment	2,500.00
Highway Equipment	1,000.00

### *Property Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds*

J. H. Parker, 7 Acres, Adj. A. A. Hooker	\$40.00
J. H. Parker, 8 Acres, Adj. A. A. Hooker	45.00
James C. Merrill, 1 Acre, East Rd.	5.00
Clara J. Hall, 1 Acre, Pope Rd.	5.00
Walter Weeks, 10½ Acres, Adj. A. A. Hooker	60.00
Daniel W. Knight, 10 Acre Wood Lot, Conley Grove	60.00
Kenneth Morrison, 10 Acres, part Atkinson Farm	60.00
Kenneth Morrison, 10 Acres, Providence Hill	60.00
Kenneth Morrison, 7 Acres Boynton Land	40.00
Kenneth Morrison, 1 Acre White Land	6.00
Kenneth Morrison, 7 Acres White Land	40.00
Susie Mason, 4 Acres Sprout Land, Adj. Grover	20.00

## APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR 1952

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,600.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00
Adding Machine	100.00
Election and Registration Expenses	175.00
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	400.00
Police Department	200.00
Fire Department \$1,001.00 Forest Fires \$150.00	1,151.00
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination (Spraying)	250.00
Health Department	25.00
Dump and Garbage Collection	100.00
Vital Statistics	25.00
Sander	450.00
Town Road Aid	201.53
Town Maintenance, Summer	1,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,800.00
New Construction, Roads	2,350.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	350.00
Remove Diseased Elms	200.00
Seal Coating	2,500.00
Insurance	105.00
Sidewalk Construction	75.00
Street Lighting	800.00
Libraries	250.00
Old Age Assistance	1,700.00
Town Poor	2,000.00
Soldiers' Aid	50.00
Memorial Day, Veterans' Associations	150.00
Parks and Playgrounds Inc. Band Concerts	20.00
Cemeteries	300.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	100.00
Payments on Principal of Debt	1,000.00
Interest	75.00
County Tax	1,955.83



School Tax	26,369.87
Total Town and School Appropriations	<u>\$48,828.23</u>
Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:	
Interest and Dividend Tax	500.00
Railroad Tax	4.00
Savings Bank Tax	11.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,400.00
Dog Licenses	250.00
Int. on Taxes and Income from Trust Funds	40.00
Cash Surplus	1,350.00
Yield Tax	200.00
Total Revenues and Credits	<u>\$3,755.00</u>
Plus Overlay	436.30
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	<u>\$45,509.53</u>
Less: 257 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	514.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	<u>\$44,995.53</u>
TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:	
Property Taxes	\$44,995.53
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	514.00
Total Taxes to be Committed	<u>\$45,509.53</u>

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### *Liabilities*

Due Atkinson School District from Appropriation	\$20,369.87
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### *Outstanding Notes*

No. 94 Due Nov. 28, 1953	\$1,000.00	
No. 95 Due Nov. 28, 1954	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,000.00

### *Assets*

Cash on hand December 31, 1952		\$27,727.09
Armstrong Bond 1952	\$100.00	100.00
Uncollected Taxes :		
Yield 1950	\$7.00	7.00
Poll 1951	6.00	
Property	70.20	
Yield	28.00	
Head	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$124.20
Property 1952	\$392.10	
Poll	36.00	
Yield	507.40	
Head	110.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,045.50
Unredeemed :		
1950	\$79.40	
1951	982.91	
1952	1,795.90	
	<hr/>	\$2,858.21
	<hr/>	\$4,034.91
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		\$31,862.00

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER,

*Town Clerk and Town Treasurer.*

# **REPORT OF HARRY B. TUTTLE TAX COLLECTOR**

	Dr.	
Levy of 1950:		
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1952		\$7.00
	Cr.	
Abated		7.00
	Dr.	
Levy of 1951:		
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1952		\$650.70
Added Taxes		72.20
Interest and Summons Collected		12.04
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Total Debits		\$734.94

	Cr.	
Collected and paid Treasurer	\$586.20	
Abatements	34.50	
Inerest and Summons Collected	12.04	
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1953	102.20	
Total Credits	<hr/>	\$734.94

## *State Head Tax*

	Dr.	
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1952		\$110.00
Added Tax		5.00
Penalties Collected		9.50
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Total Debits		\$124.50

	Cr.	
Collected and paid Treasurer	\$95.00	
Abatements	15.00	
Penalties Collected	9.50	
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1953	5.00	
Total Credits	<hr/>	\$124.50

## Dr.

Levy of 1952:

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$44,995.64
Poll Taxes	514.00
Timber Yield Taxes	507.40
Added Taxes—Property Taxes	974.85
Poll Taxes	10.00
Interest and Summons Collected	32.95

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Total Debits	\$47,034.84
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## Cr.

Collected and paid Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$44,999.36
Poll Taxes	460.00
Interest and Summons	32.95
Discounts Allowed	436.99
Abatements	186.79

Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1953:

Property Taxes	375.35
Poll Taxes	36.00
Timber Yield Taxes	507.40

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Total Credits	\$47,034.84
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Levy of 1952:

*State Head Tax*

## Dr.

Original Warrant	\$1,465.00
Added Taxes	25.00
Penalties Collected	11.50

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Total Debits	\$1,501.50
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## Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,380.00
Penalties	11.50
Uncollected, Jan. 1, 1953	110.00

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Total Credits	\$1,501.50
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*Tax Sales Account*

Dr.

	1952	1951	1950	1949
Taxes Sold to Town				
During Year	\$1,803.60			
Unredeemed, 1/1/'52		\$1,550.22	\$870.10	\$58.78
Interest Collected				
After Sale		51.30	100.03	11.18
Total Debits	\$1,803.60	\$1,601.52	\$970.13	\$69.96

Cr.

Remittances to Treas.				
During Year	\$7.70	\$613.57	\$885.81	\$65.32
Deeded to Town				
During Year		5.04	4.85	4.64
Unredeemed, 1/1/'53	1,795.90	982.91	79.47	
Total Credits	\$1,803.60	\$1,601.52	\$970.13	\$69.96

I hereby certify that the above Tax Lists and Tax Sales Accounts, as of December 31, 1952, are correct according to my best knowledge and belief.

HARRY B. TUTTLE,

*Tax Collector.*

## REPORT OF AUDITORS

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This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Trustees of Trust Funds and Trustees of Todd Poor Fund for the year ending December 31, 1952, and find them correctly cast with vouchers.

HARLON C. DYKE,  
PHILO A. HUTCHESON,

*Auditors.*

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*William C. Todd Fund*

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1949	\$1,106.02
Interest added July 16, 1952	84.09
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	\$1,190.11
Withdrawn July 16, 1952 — Dr. Moore	25.00
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1952	\$1,165.11

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

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### SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1952	\$17,528.38	
Note, First Nat'l. Bank, Derry, N. H.	2,985.00	
Fire Damage	15.76	
O.A.A. Recovery	97.50	
Cemetery Lots	110.00	
Dog License	320.50	
Revolver Permits	4.00	
Registration Fees	5.00	
Tel. Toll	3.30	
State of N. H., Int. & Div.	1,568.07	
Savings Bank	13.25	
R.R. Tax	5.03	
State Head Tax Refund	13.90	
Auto Permits	1,531.55	
	<hr/>	\$24,201.24
Tax Collector, Harry B. Tuttle:		
Poll 1951	\$8.00	
Property	578.20	
Head	95.00	
Penalty	9.50	
Summons	.60	
Interest	11.44	
	<hr/>	\$702.74
Poll 1952	\$460.00	
Property	44,999.36	
Head	1,380.00	
Summons	15.80	
Interest	17.15	
Penalty	11.50	
	<hr/>	\$46,883.81
		<hr/>
		\$47,586.55

## Redeemed Tax Sales :

1952	\$7.70	
1951	562.27	
Interest	51.30	
1950	785.78	
Interest	100.03	
1949	54.14	
Interest	11.18	
	<hr/>	\$1,572.40
Total		<hr/> \$73,360.19
Less Selectmen's Orders		45,633.10
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Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1952		\$27,727.09

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. SAWYER,

*Town Clerk and Town Treasurer.*



**DETAILED STATEMENT***Town Officers' Salaries*

Philo Hutcheson, Auditor	\$15.00	
Harlon C. Dyke, Auditor	15.00	
Ruth L. Sawyer, Town Clerk and Town Treasurer	232.00	
Robert A. Griffin, Selectman	175.00	
George W. White, Selectman	175.00	
Robert S. Hotchkiss, Chairman Selectmen	350.00	
Wilbur Moody, Dog Officer	25.00	
Harry B. Tuttle, Tax Collector	453.54	
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		\$1,440.54

*Town Officers' Expenses*

Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	\$25.14
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Clerk and Treasurer's Telephone	49.35
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags and Book	11.50
Wheeler & Clark, Supplies	3.34
Edson C. Eastman, Supplies	2.82
Robert A. Griffin, Expenses	10.00
Record Publishing Co., Town Reports	320.00
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues	2.00
Harlon C. Dyke, Auditors' Expense	.45
George W. White, Expense	7.75
Leroy D. Barnum, Stamps & Toll Calls	5.30
Robert S. Hotchkiss, Expense	22.79
Ruth L. Sawyer, Clerk and Treasurer, Expense	185.65
Arthur H. Sawyer, Ins. and Bonds	123.52
Harry B. Tuttle, Collector, Expense	47.58
N. H. Tax Collectors' Assoc., Dues	3.00
Wallace E. Card, One Half Town Clerk's Office Insurance	6.25
Daniel Stewart, Toll Calls	6.17

N. H. Clerks' Association, Dues	2.00	
Sargent Bros., Bills & Envelopes	15.35	
George Rollins, Permits and Expenses	44.00	
U. S. Auto & Truck Guide	7.00	
John W. A. Green, Transfers	21.60	
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		\$922.56

*Election and Registration*

Rush-A-Service, Ballots	\$18.15	
Annie S. Nason, Ballot Clerk	20.00	
Flora Currier, Ballot Clerk	15.00	
Gladys Wood, Ballot Clerk	15.00	
Harry B. Tuttle, Moderator	24.00	
Wood Press, Inc., Voting Lists	30.00	
Edson C. Eastman, Tally Sheets	1.40	
Ruth L. Sawyer, Type Warrant & Ballot Expense	1.47	
Etta L. Nye, Ballot Clerk	10.00	
Mildred Illsley, Supervisor of Check List	15.00	
Leslie Rockwell, Supervisor of Check List	15.00	
A. Fred MacDonald, Supervisor of Check List	15.00	
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		\$180.02

*Police Department*

Wilbur Moody, Police Work	\$161.35	
Benjamin Lake, Police Work	5.50	
Warren Kolb, Police Work	35.00	
Wilfred Senter, Police Work	51.00	
Malcolm Noyes, Police Work	10.00	
Fred Bishop, Police Work	8.00	
Harry B. Tuttle, Police Work	5.00	
		<hr/>
		\$275.85

*Fire Department*

K. H. Duston, Range Oil	\$139.39	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	15.02	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Red Network & House Telephone	271.92	
Mass. Bonding & Ins. Co., Ins. Firemen	82.80	
Skelley Motor, Supplies	6.95	

Demers Plate Glass, Repair Doors & Glass	11.75	
Church's Service Sta., Gas & Oil	18.66	
Smith's Fire Equipment, Roof Hooks	7.50	
Smith's Fire Equipment, Batteries	12.75	
Smith's Fire Equipment, Batteries & Siren	72.75	
Burns' Auto Supply Co.	18.20	
Burns' Auto Supply Co., Antifreeze	4.20	
Haverhill Hdw. Co., Paint	11.88	
Clifford Sawyer, Insurance Equipment	14.26	
Don Webster, Letter Truck	15.00	
Richards & Reynolds, Paint Fire House	52.47	
Arthur Sawyer, Insurance	55.60	
Fred MacDonald, Wire to Bailey's	3.67	
Clifford S. Gordon, Change Switch	3.55	
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		\$818.32

*Moth Extermination*

Rockingham Tree Service, Spraying	\$250.00
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*Elm Tree Removal*

Rockingham Tree Service	\$105.00
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*Street Lighting*

Exeter & Hampton Electric Co.	\$807.34
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*General Expenses of Highway Department*

Haverhill Hdw. Co., Bolts, Shears, Axes,		
Brooms	\$36.40	
Ellison Coal & Grain, Salt	56.00	
Burns' Auto Parts, Hydraulic Oil	1.72	
R. C. Hazelton Co. Inc., Plow Parts	163.25	
Portors Bros., Straighten Bars (Plow)	11.00	
Daniel Stewart, Truck Top	15.30	
Daniel Stewart, Maple Ave. Guard Rail	20.64	
Daniel Stewart, Repair Plow	5.00	
Sixth Ave. Garage, Repair Plow	17.90	
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		\$327.21

*Library*

Arthur H. Sawyer, Insurance	\$75.20
Frontier Press Co., Books	27.25
Cross Book Shop, Books	172.31

D. D. Chase Lumber, Shelves	29.25	
Elgin E. Reynolds, Labor Shelves	20.75	
	<hr/>	\$324.76

*Town Poor*

Mrs. Olive E. Roxbury Noyes Children	\$692.00	
State of N. H., O.A.A., July	188.75	
Exeter Clinic, Milton Pressey	36.00	
Hale Hospital, Richard Noyes	5.00	
Exeter Hospital, Milton Pressey	162.13	
	<hr/>	\$1,083.88

*Old Age Assistance*

State of New Hampshire	\$1,474.69
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*Memorial Day*

George Rollins, Expense	\$1.92	
The Felt Crafters, Flags	24.00	
J. Arthur Comeau, Band	85.00	
Wilfred Senter, Speaker	10.00	
Flora Currier, Wreaths	17.00	
Comeau's Market, Tonic	7.68	
Wason-MacDonald Co., Ice Cream	8.78	
	<hr/>	\$154.38

*Selectmen's Special*

Daniel Stewart, Cut Brush	\$258.20	
W. E. Kelsey & Sons, Voting Booths	82.32	
Railway Express	14.48	
	<hr/>	\$355.00

*Legal Expense*

John W. Perkins	\$15.00	
John W. A. Green, Record Deed	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$16.00

*Vital Statistics*

Frank B. Nay, Deceased Persons	\$60	
Ruth L. Sawyer, Record & Expense	15.50	
	<hr/>	\$16.10

*Bounties*

Doris M. Lake, Porcupine	\$25
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*Dump*

Marguerite Merrill, Rent	\$45.00	
James Fulmore, Sign	6.00	
Robert S. Hotchkiss, Cut & Haul Wood	15.00	
Edna E. Wright, Rent 1952	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$91.00

*Town Maintenance*

## Winter :

Daniel Stewart, Payrolls	\$1,088.30	
Reed's Sales & Service, Sand	4.00	
Remove Snow Fence	77.10	
Ray Road Equipment, Snow Blades	80.46	
Put Up Snow Fence	131.00	
Haverhill Hdw. Supply Co., Salt & Wire	57.52	
	<hr/>	\$1,438.38

## Summer :

Reed's Sales & Service, Gravel	\$6.00	
Rock Asphalt, Hot Top	48.51	
Rock Asphalt, Cold Patch	189.82	
Daniel Stewart, Graveling	97.55	
Daniel Stewart, Patching	299.40	
Daniel Stewart, Signs & Plows	12.50	
Daniel Stewart, Scraping	132.40	
Daniel Stewart, Ditching	114.15	
Warren Kolb, Remove Brush	51.70	
State of N. H., Over on T.R.A.	53.16	
Daniel Stewart, Guard Rail, Maple Ave.	31.70	
	<hr/>	\$1,036.89

*Parks and Playgrounds*

Daniel Stewart, Truck and Labor	\$6.50
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*Schools*

Atkinson School District	\$18,567.79
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*Cemeteries*

Daniel Stewart, Payrolls	\$231.40
Clarence Kinney, Mower	2.00
Demine-Fairbanks Mach. Co., Mower	1.25

Ideal Lawn Mower Service, Mower	7.00	
Andrew Wengel, Mower	7.00	
	<hr/>	\$248.65

*Abatements Refunded*

Annette S. Witley, Tax Abated		\$1.68
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*Dog Damage*

May E. Winmill, 15 Hens Killed		\$18.75
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*Interest*

First National Bank Derry,		
Notes No. 93, 94, 95		\$75.00

*Specials*

Typewriter Shop, Adding Machine	\$117.00	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Sander	425.00	
Daniel Stewart, Del. Sander	24.50	
	<hr/>	\$566.50

*Tank Truck*

Atkinson Fireman's Fund		\$1.00
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*Tar Conley Road*

Daniel Stewart, Payroll	\$110.40	
Rock Asphalt, Oil	272.63	
	<hr/>	\$383.03

*Fence Water Holes*

Daniel Stewart, Posts	\$3.00	
Shoe City Hdw. Co., Nails & Hdw.	2.23	
Fred H. Cust, Planks	45.00	
	<hr/>	\$50.23

*Forest Fires*

Ward W. Wright, Payroll		\$26.89
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*Tar Gravel Roads*

Daniel Stewart, Pick Rocks	\$74.70	
Daniel Stewart, Payrolls	275.05	
Lewis J. Sinskie, Blow Rock	5.00	
Rock-Asphalt, Tar	822.00	
Rock-Asphalt, Roller Tar & Patch	837.02	

## TOWN OF ATKINSON

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Collector of Internal Revenue, Tax	11.60	
	<hr/>	\$2,025.37

*Resurface Tar Roads*

Daniel Stewart, Sweep and Patch	\$67.25	
Daniel Stewart, Payroll	510.90	
Rock-Asphalt, M. C. 3	1,186.76	
	<hr/>	\$1,764.91

*Loans*

First National Bank, Derry, Note No. 93	1,000.00	
First National Bank, Derry, Temporary	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$4,000.00

*Head Tax*

State of N. H., 1951 Tax	\$1,495.49	
State of N. H., 1952 Tax	922.18	
	<hr/>	\$2,417.67

*County Tax*

Earl R. Stockbridge, 1952		\$1,955.83
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*Tax Sale*

Harry B. Tuttle		\$1,803.60
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*Town Road Aid*

State of New Hampshire		\$201.53
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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ATKINSON, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1952

TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION		HOW INVESTED		Amount of Principal	Balance of Income Beginning of Year	Rate of Interest	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income End of Year
Date of Creation	These Funds are all Cemetery Funds								
1912 Aug. 1	Caroline Upton Cemetery Fund Donor, Caroline Upton	133944	Manchester Sav. Bank	\$100.00	\$ .27	3	\$3.02	\$2.00	\$1.29
1912 Oct. 16	Mary M. Tolman Cemetery Fund Donor, Mary M. Tolman	134649	Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	47.41	3	4.45	3.00	48.86
1927 June 30	Susan E. Page Cemetery Fund Donor, Susan E. Page	147260	Manchester Sav. Bank	400.00	1.08	3	12.13	8.00	5.21
1930 July 7	Moses B. Stevens Cemetery Fund Donors, Frank E. Emerson, Minnie E. Emerson	156040	Manchester Sav. Bank	200.00	4.39	3	6.17	4.00	6.56
1941 May 5	Tilton and Gentis Cemetery Fund Donors, Susie Freke and Kenneth Gentis	181108	Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	11.78	3	4.88	9.00	7.66
1944 May 22	Samuel Smith Cemetery Fund Donor, Estate Mary Brennan	186539	Manchester Sav. Bank	100.00	.32	3	3.02	2.50	.84
1949 Feb. 7	Ada Whittaker Cemetery Fund Donor, Ada Whittaker	197649	Manchester Sav. Bank	150.00	1.93	3	4.58	3.00	3.51



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1938	May 16	D. E. and Cora I. Bartlett Cemetery Fund, Donor, Cora I. Bartlett	218418						
		Amoskeag Sav. Bank	200.00	.89	3	6.05	4.00	2.94	
1939	Aug. 19	Emma F. Greenough Cemetery Fund	223118						
		Donor, Emma F. Greenough	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00	.63	3	3.03	2.50	1.16
1943	May 17	Geo. M. Wason Cemetery Fund	235275						
		Donor, Geo. M. Wason	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	16.82	3	9.56	5.00	21.38
1946	May 25	George P. Dow Cemetery Fund	247642						
		Donor, Dr. Farley	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	500.00	32.86	3	16.08	6.00	42.94
1946	Sept. 3	Cyrus Dinsmore Cemetery Fund	248859						
		Donor, Cyrus Dinsmore	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	300.00	9.44	3	9.35	6.00	12.79
1947	July 28	Ida M. Perkins Cemetery Fund, Donor, Ida M. Perkins	252415						
		Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00		3	3.02	2.55	.47	
1952	Mar. 1	Paul A. Rich Cemetery Fund	269385						
		Donor, Paul A. Rich	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	100.00		3	2.52	2.52	
1952	May 23	Greenleaf Clarke Cemetery Fund	1 Share Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.						
		Donor, Mrs. Asher Arnold				8.86		8.86	
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				\$710.36		\$199.13	\$112.05	\$797.44	

ARTHUR H. SAWYER  
GLADYS N. JAMES  
BENJAMIN C. WOOD

*Trustees*

## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

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During the year 1952 the Fire Department answered sixteen calls. Eight of these calls were for grass and brush fires, one oil burner fire in Barrows farm barn, and one television fire. We also had six chimney fires, none of which caused any damage. The property damage on these fires amounted to \$350.00. Two hundred feet of new hose has been added to our equipment. We have also purchased a new Rockwood fog nozzle for our tank truck.

For efficiency we have added a new fire alarm switch to Mrs. Bailey's house which sounds our siren on the fire house without her having to go out.

Through the efforts of the Community Fair we were able to purchase a new 35-foot truss ladder to add to our equipment.

The Department meets twice a month, the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. The public is invited to attend any of our meetings.

The Board of Engineers and I wish to thank the townspeople for their interest and co-operation during the year 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

WILBUR R. MOODY,

*Chief of the Board of Engineers.*

## VITAL STATISTICS

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### *Births*

December 12, 1951. Marta Kathleen Peck. Parents: Bertrand G. Peck, Jr. and Marilyn Beth (Olsen) Peck.

January 15, 1952. Paul Little Noyes. Parents: Malcolm C. Noyes and Sylvia (Little) Noyes.

February 23, 1952. Mary Kathleen Cote. Parents: George E. Cote and M. Yvonne (Roger) Cote.

March 1, 1952. Kathleen Jean Nye. Parents: Francis E. Nye and Mary (Sweeney) Nye.

March 5, 1952. Donna Karen Hirsch. Parents: William R. Hirsch and Muriel R. (Bartlett) Hirsch.

March 16, 1952. Peter Albert Feuer. Parents: Martin M. Feuer and Eleanor (Consentino) Feuer.

March 30, 1952. Carole Ann Rouleau. Parents: Clarence O. Rouleau and Barbara F. (Collins) Rouleau.

April 20, 1952. Daniel William Stewart. Parents: Daniel W. Stewart and Bette A. (Killey) Stewart.

June 7, 1952. Pamela Natalino. Parents: Ronald J. Natalino and Jacquelyn (Russ) Natalino.

July 16, 1952. Sherry Patrice Councilman. Parents: Maurice N. Councilman and Doris E. (Nelson) Councilman.

October 13, 1952. William Francis Noyes. Parents: William F. Noyes and Pauline M. (Dube) Noyes.

November 25, 1952. Ann Virginia Radulski. Parents: Edward Radulski and Blanche Mary (Zembra) Radulski.

November 2, 1952. Patrick Robert Chabot. Parents: Rudolphe H. Chabot and Dolores (Sweeney) Chabot.

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### *Marriages*

February 2, 1952. Joseph L. LaRoche and Emma White, both of Atkinson, N. H. Married by Kenneth Romprey, Justice of Peace, Salem, N. H.

April 19, 1952. John W. Camarato and Marjorie P. McGirr, both of Haverhill, Mass. Married by Rev. Theodore B. Hadley, Atkinson, N. H.

May 25, 1952. Rocco J. Sabatino and Alice P. Illsley, both of Atkinson, N. H. Married by Rev. Theodore B. Hadley, Atkinson, N. H.

July 12, 1952. Charles J. McCarthy and Joan A. Butler of Atkinson and Hampton, N. H. Married by Rev. Michael J. Murtagh, Salem, N. H.

August 1, 1952. Raymond E. Barnum and Edna Frances Senter of Atkinson and Plaistow, N. H. Married by Rev. John Wood, Jr., Plaistow, N. H.

August 22, 1952. William P. Cook and Beatrice A. Coppola, both of Haverhill, Mass. Married by Rev. Theodore B. Hadley, Atkinson, N. H.

September 1, 1952. Milton E. Smith and Dorothy E. Brown of Atkinson and Salem, N. H. Married by Rev. Michael J. Murtagh, Salem, N. H.

October 31, 1952. Edward L. Rajotte and Helen A. Gardner of Haverhill and Newburyport, Mass. Married by Rev. Theodore B. Hadley, Atkinson, N. H.

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### *Deaths*

February 2, 1952. William H. Reynolds at Atkinson, N. H. Age 80 yrs. Parents: James Reynolds and Emily (Wells) Reynolds.

February 11, 1952. Charles R. Quimby at Hampton Falls, N. H. Age 87 yrs. Parents: Not given.

June 5, 1952. Oscar N. Rouleau at Atkinson, N. H. Age 59 yrs. Parents: Napoleon Rouleau and Sophonie (Brown) Rouleau.

September 10, 1952. George V. Swett at Atkinson, N. H. Age 64 yrs. Parents: George H. Swett and Medora (Bemis) Swett.

September 18, 1952. Mae Stevens Malbon at Atkinson, N. H. Age 94 yrs. Parents: Amos Williams and Albina (Rowe) Williams.

October 5, 1952. Arthur W. Noyes at Atkinson, N. H. Age 18 yrs. Parents: Joshua C. Noyes and Hazel (Farrington) Noyes.

October 25, 1952. Robert Winmill at Derry, N. H. Age 61 yrs. Parents: John Winmill and Anna (Pollard) Winmill.

March 27, 1952. John B. Mason of Haverhill, Mass. Age 88 yrs. Burial in Atkinson, N. H.

December 3, 1952. William H. Worrell at Haverhill, Mass. Age 73 yrs. Parents: William and Alta (Hoyt) Worrell.

December 27, 1952. Ward W. Wright at Derry, N. H. Age 57 yrs. Parents: George E. Wright and Mary (Costello) Wright.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

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To the Trustees of the Kimball Public Library:

Our circulation and interest maintained in our library has been gratifying despite the competition in television.

Through the co-operation of the State Library and the Haverhill Public Library we have been able to furnish supplemental reading for the High School students and special requests from our readers, not available in our book stock. We have purchased a Lincoln Library, Better Homes Garden Book, Handy Man's Book, Peter Hunt's "How To Do It," and a dictionary of American Antiques. These should be a definite asset for reference material.

Several gifts of books and magazines have been gratefully received this year from the following donors: Miss Lena Welch of Haverhill, Mrs. Albert Hunkins, and Mrs. Hadyn Brown.

Our shelf space has been inadequate to care for all the books in our library for some time. However, we were given an appropriation last year for this purpose. We now have several new book shelves, making the storage space very satisfactory.

The library is opened every Tuesday evening from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. and on Saturday from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

We urge you to visit and use your library.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE E. REYNOLDS,

*Librarian.*

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## BOOKS ADDED TO THE KIMBALL PUBLIC LIBRARY

### A

Amazing Animals

Abraham Lincoln

Adventures in Two Worlds

Dickinson

Gorham

Cronin

Arabesque	Household
Aunt Bel	McCrone
A Farm for Andy	Reed
An Island Summer	Teller
April Snow	Budd
A Man Called Peter	Marshall

## B

Blood Brother	Arnold
Beyond the Rio Grande	Raine
Beckoning Trails	Loring
Bengal Tiger, The	
Beyond the Breakers	Bassett
Big Book of the Real Circus	Treasure Book
Big Book of Airplanes	Treasure Book
Beyond New England Thresholds	Chamberlain
Boxcar Children, The	Warner
Brides' Island	Houston
Border Trumpet, The	Haycox

## C

Clue of the Leaning Chimney, The	Keene
Concord Bridge	Horne
Cherry Ames, Clinic Nurse	Tatham
Cinchfoot	Hinckle
Clue of the Stone Lantern, The	Keene
Captain Barney	Westcott
Clue of the Black Keys	Keene

## D

Designs for Living, Color in Home Decoration	Brown
Dictionary of American Antiques	Dreppard
Double Guise, The	Judd
Duck and His Friend	Golden Book
Doctor in Buckskin	Allen
Days of Ophelia	Deamant

## E

Eisenhower	Gunther
Elizabeth, the Queen	Crawford
Etiquette	Post
East Side General	Slaughter
Elegant Witch, The	Neill



## F

Floodtide	Yerby
Five Little Peppers and How They Grew	Sidney
Fireside Book of Favorite American Song	Simon, Schuster
Flickering Torch Mystery, The	Dixon
Fiddler's Green	Gann
From Sea to Sea	Smith

## G

George Washington Carver	Coy
Girl of the Woods, The	Hill
God Keeps an Open House	Lauferty
Giant	Ferber
Give Yourself One Day	Robinson
Green Island Mystery, The	Allen
Ghost Wore White, The	Allen
Golden Book of Nursery Tales	Werner

## H

Handyman's Book	Better Homes & Gardens
Himalayan Assignment	Mason
Honey Moon for Seven	Toombs
Happiness Hill	Hill
Hopalong and Lucky at the Bar Q	Willson
How-To-Do-It-Book	Hunt
Hurlburt's Story of the Bible	Winston
How to Build Fireplaces and Barbeques	Baer
High Towers	Costain
Hear this Woman!	Pinchot

## I

I Led Three Lives	Philbrick
In Tune with Wedding Bells	Hills
Information Please Almanac (1953)	Kiernan
In New Places	Smith

## J

Jumping Juniper	Carey
Jefferson Selleck	Jonas
Journey to the Far Pacific	Dewey

## L

Lincoln, His Life in Photographs	Lorant
Look at America	

Luther Burbank	Bart
Longlegs the Heron	Burgess
Little Pond in the Woods	Golden Book
Lincoln Library, The Vol. I - II	Frontier Press

## M

Mysterious Neighbors, The	Judd
Mystery Flowers	Hill
My Cousin Rachel	DuMaurier
Man of the Family	Moody
Man from Abilene	McCann
Miss Lavinias Call	Hill
Mystery of Hartwood House, The	Tatham
Memoirs of Herbert Hoover (1929-1941)	Hoover
Mr. Wizard's Science Secrets	Hebert
Maida's Little Hospital	Irwin
Maida's Little Zoo	Irwin
Melted Coins, The	Dixon
Maestro, Life of Arturo Toscanini	Taubman
Mr. Lincoln's Army	Catton

## N

North American Trees	Curtis
Nineteen from Seventeen	Ivens
New Golden Almanac, The	Jackson
Nine Brides and Granny Hite	Wilson

## O

Out of the Storm	Hill
One Who Survived	Barmine
Old Sturbridge Village	Chamberlain
O the Brave Music	Smith

## P

Prairie Avenue	Meeker
Phantom Shark, The	Blaine
Plantation Murder	Govan
Power of Positive Thinking, The	Peale
Peter Stuyvesant	Waddemer
Proud Young Things, The	Miller

## Q

Quiet Life of Mrs. General Lane	Case
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## R

Road of Bithynia, The	Slaughter
Return to Morality, The	Toby
Real Book about Trains, The	Cole
Raton Pass	Blackburn
Romantic Lady	Graham
Real Book about Stars, The	Goodwin
Return to Jolna	De la Roche
Rampole Place	Holt
Reunion on the Wabash	North
Roly Poly Puppy	Wonder Book

## S

Stories I Like to Tell	Godfrey
Shining Mountains	Every
Swimming Pool, The	Rinehart
Spurs West	Shaw
Sawdust and Six Guns	Evans
Son of Adam Wyngate	O'Hara
Strange Brigade, The	Jennings
Silver Chief to the Rescue	O'Brien
Secret of Wildcat Swamp	Dixon
Shots at White Tails	Koller
Song Before Sunrise	Lauretzen
Sound of the Trumpet, The	Hill
Shape of Sunday, The	Dawson
Silver Chalice, The	Costain
Steamboat Gothic	Keys
Science Magic	Hill
Spirit of Fog Island, The	Sutton
Stephen Foster, Boy Minstrel	Higgins
Sonny the Bunny	Wonder Book
Surprise Island	Warner
Serpent Wreathed Staff, The	Hobart
Steamboat on the River	Teilhet
Secret Road, The	Lancaster
Secret at Lone Tree Cottage, The	Keene

## T

Through Charley's Door	Kimbrough
The World Almanac	N. Y. World-Telegram

The Upstart	Marshall
The Galileans	Slaughter
The Sea Around Us	Carson
Teen-Age Historical Stories	Carter
Teen-Age Boy Scout Stories	Crump
Tall Ships of Cathay	Augur
The Healing Woods	Reben
Three Lives of Elizabeth	Seifret
Tara's Healing	Giles
The Peningtons	Partridge
Texas Sheriff	Cunningham
Three Mice and a Cat	Wonder Book

## U

Under the Sea Wind	Carson
Uncharted Seas	Loring

## V

Vengeance Valley	Short
Velvet Doublet, The	Street
Voice of Asia, The	Michener

## W

Where Two Ways Met	Hill
When the Lamp Flickers	Weatherhead
Whispering Box Mystery, The	Blaine
Westward the River	Every
Wilderness Nurse	Marshall
Widows of Broome, The	Upfield
Witch Water	Miller
World Power Made Easy	Lewis
William Penn, Friendly Boy	Mason
With New Friends	Smith

## Y

Yellow Warning, The	Allen
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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL BOARD

of the

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ATKINSON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

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## OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ATKINSON

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*Board of Education*

Name	Term Expires
Austin B. Wason, Chairman	1955
Warren E. Kolb	1954
Ernest R. Scott	1953
Harry B. Tuttle (elected annually)	Moderator
Malcolm C. Noyes (elected annually)	District Clerk
L. Edna Wright (elected annually)	District Treasurer
Harlon C. Dyke (elected annually)	District Auditor
Philo A. Hutcheson (elected annually)	District Auditor
Warren E. Kolb (appointed)	Truant Officer and School Census Taker
Jonathan A. Osgood	Superintendent of Schools

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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*To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Atkinson qualified to vote in district affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grange Hall in said district on the twelfth day of March, 1953, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of the school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.
9. To see if the district will vote to purchase a portion of the Hart property on Academy Avenue opposite the school

grounds, either by arms-length transaction or by eminent domain, and to see what sum the district will raise and appropriate for this purpose.

10. (By request) To see if the district will vote to extend the route of the school bus in order to pick up children living on Providence Hill in front of their homes, and to see what sum the district will raise and appropriate for this purpose.

11. To see if the district will authorize the school board to make application for and to receive, in the name of the district, such advances, grants-in-aid, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from federal, state, local, or private agencies.

12. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Atkinson this sixth day of February, 1953.

AUSTIN B. WASON,  
ERNEST R. SCOTT,  
WARREN E. KOLB,

*School Board.*

The Polls will be open to vote for District Officers from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. The other articles of the Warrant will be taken up at 8:30 o'clock.



## FINANCIAL REPORT

of the Atkinson School District for the Fiscal Year beginning  
July 1, 1951 and ending June 30, 1952

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## CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

J. A. OSGOOD,  
*Superintendent.*

AUSTIN B. WASON,  
ERNEST R. SCOTT,  
WARREN E. KOLB,

July 8, 1952

*School Board.*

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## RECEIPTS

State Aid:		
Equalization and Emergency		\$4,048.35
Local Taxation:		
Current Appropriation	\$22,967.79	
Special Appropriations	1,100.00	
Total	<hr/>	24,067.79
Other Sources:		
Other		126.03
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Total receipts from all sources		\$28,242.17
Cash on hand at beginning of year		
July 1, 1951		68.71
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Grand Total		\$28,310.88

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1952

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SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1951	
(Treasurer's balance)	\$68.71
Received from Town of Atkinson:	
Current Appropriation	\$24,067.79
Received from State of New Hampshire	4,048.35
Received from all other sources	126.03
Total Receipts	<hr/> \$28,242.17
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	
(Balance and Receipts)	\$28,310.88
Less School Board Orders Paid	27,373.48
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Balance on hand June 30, 1952	
(Treasurer's bank balance)	\$937.40

July 11, 1952

L. EDNA WRIGHT,

*District Treasurer.*


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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all  
State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Atkinson, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, and find them correct in all respects.

HARLON C. DYKE,  
PHILO A. HUTCHESON,

July 12, 1952

*Auditors.*

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Date	Payer	Description	Amount
1951			
July 1—	Cash on hand—	Balance 1950-51	\$68.71
July 20—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	500.00
Sept. 14—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	1,000.00
Sept. 27—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	2,000.00
Oct. 17—	State of N. H.—	State Aid	4,048.35
Nov. 26—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	3,000.00
Dec. 21—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	5,000.00
1952			
Mar. 19—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	2,000.00
April 18—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	3,000.00
May 31—	Town of Atkinson—	1951-52 Appropriation	2,000.00
June 23—	Rockwell Sch. Child. Fund—	P'm't on Projector	126.03
June 27—	Town of Atkinson—	Bal. of 1951-52 Approp.	5,567.79
Total Receipts During Year			\$28,310.88

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

1951-1952

## Salaries of District Officers

Harlon C. Dyke	\$5.00	
Philo A. Hutcheson	5.00	
Warren E. Kolb	80.00	
Malcolm C. Noyes	5.00	
Ernest R. Scott	80.00	
Harry B. Tuttle	5.00	
Austin B. Wason	90.00	
L. Edna Wright	30.00	
		\$300.00

## Superintendent's Salary

Supervisory Union No. 55	\$247.13
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## Tax for State Supervision

Supervisory Union No. 55	\$188.00
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## Salaries of Administrative Personnel

Warren E. Kolb (Truant Officer and Census

Taker) \$25.00

Supervisory Union No. 55 (Clerical) 116.54

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 \$141.54

## Supplies and Other Expenses

American School Board Journal \$13.50

Edson C. Eastman Company 2.69

N. H. School Boards Association 3.00

Petty cash, Treasurer's Office 10.00

Rush-A-Service (Printing) 10.90

Supervisory Union No. 55 169.45

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 \$209.54

## Principals' and Teachers' Salaries

Alice Scott (\$2,400.00) \$1,914.46

Charles Yeaton (\$2,400.00) 1,912.72

Stella Olsen (\$2,850.00) 2,212.32

Collector of Internal Revenue 977.00

Patricia Haney 8.40

N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service, Inc. 78.80

N. H. State Teachers' Retirement Service 559.40

Supervisory Union No. 55 445.32

Mary Wright 12.80

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 \$8,121.22

## Books and Other Instructional Aids

Allyn &amp; Bacon \$33.56

Casey Paper Company 17.50

Denoyer-Geppert Company, Inc. 2.91

E. M. Hale Company 26.46

Houghton Mifflin Company 22.70

Iroquois Publishing Company 2.53

Lyons and Carnahan 18.29

Row, Peterson &amp; Company 36.49

Scott Foresman &amp; Company 8.38

Supervisory Union No. 55 6.16

J. C. Winston Company 16.92

World Book Company 13.68

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 \$205.58

## Scholars' Supplies

Edward E. Babb & Company	\$150.35	
The Blakiston Company	12.00	
Casey Paper Company	10.30	
J. E. Davidson Company	13.25	
Ginn & Company	2.08	
J. L. Hammett Company	3.44	
Scott Foresman Company	66.92	
Supervisory Union No. 55	21.03	
O. H. Toothaker	4.93	
Webster Publishing Company	1.67	
J. C. Winston Company	14.79	
	<hr/>	\$300.76

## Salaries of Clerical Assistants

Supervisory Union No. 55	\$91.00
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## Other Instructional Expenses

Boston Music Company	\$42.99	
Burgess Publishing Company	2.33	
Educator's Progress Service	10.77	
Frontier Press Company	20.70	
Moore Cottrell Subscription Agencies	12.50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Company	86.40	
News Map of the Week	15.00	
Petty Cash, Treasurer's Office	15.00	
Rand McNally and Company, Inc.	1.23	
Supervisory Union No. 55	73.22	
The Science Kit	37.75	
Webster Publishing Company	1.60	
World Book Company	1.36	
University of New Hampshire	47.80	
	<hr/>	\$368.65

## Salaries of Janitors

Thayer Illsley	\$573.60	
Collector of Internal Revenue	8.40	
	<hr/>	\$582.00

## Fuel or Heat

K. H. Duston	\$637.68
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## Water, Light and Other Expenses

Edward E. Babb Company	\$61.97	
Exeter & Hampton Electric Company	393.62	
Masury Young Company	23.00	
North Parish Market	2.88	
Salem School District	1.52	
Supervisory Union No. 55	3.00	
University of Nebraska, Extension Div.	1.83	
Waxine Company	20.54	
	<hr/>	\$508.36

## Repairs and Replacements

Edward E. Babb Company	\$81.67	
Chase Lumber Company	.60	
J. Russell Colcord	3.50	
Demers Plate Glass Company	9.30	
William Ela	83.15	
Thayer Illsley	30.00	
C. Henry Lenz	10.50	
Smith's Fire Equipment	2.75	
Supervisory Union No. 55	4.68	
Halbert Swift	500.00	
Ward Wright	283.17	
	<hr/>	\$1,009.32

## Health Supervision

Dr. R. E. Moore	\$100.00	
Peever's Drug Store	3.99	
Jessie R. Soule	8.64	
Supervisory Union No. 55	206.84	
	<hr/>	\$319.47

## Transportation

Ward Wright	\$2,000.00
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## Tuition

City of Haverhill	\$5,628.20	
Salem School District	925.00	
Sanborn Seminary	400.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,953.20

## Special Fund Activities

Hampstead School District	\$1.80
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Haverhill Rubber Company	99.35	
	<hr/>	\$101.15
State Retirement		
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	\$465.89	
Supervisory Union No. 55	33.27	
	<hr/>	\$499.16
Insurance, Bonds and Expenses		
Arthur H. Sawyer		\$181.44
Additions and Improvements to Buildings		
Haverhill Chain Link Fence Company	\$312.00	
Walter J. Weeks	46.00	
	<hr/>	\$358.00
New Equipment		
Paris Manufacturing Company	\$85.00	
Albert W. Hunkins, Inc.	126.03	
R. S. Sawyer Company	52.77	
Harry S. Vaughn Company	46.50	
	<hr/>	\$310.30
Payments of Principal of Debt		
First National Bank of Boston	\$2,000.00	
Merrimack National Bank of Haverhill	1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,000.00
Payments of Interest on Debt		
First National Bank of Boston	\$700.00	
Merrimack National Bank of Haverhill	39.98	
	<hr/>	\$739.98
Grand Total		<hr/> \$27,373.48

## PAYMENTS

	Total Amount	Distribution of Expenditures General Expense	High School	Elem. Schools
Administration:				
Salaries of district officers	\$300.00			\$300.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	247.13			247.13
Tax for state wide supervision	188.00		\$14.00	164.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	141.54			141.54
Supplies and expenses	209.54			209.54
Instruction:				
Teachers' salaries	8,121.22			8,121.22
Books and other instructional aids	205.58			205.58
Scholars' supplies	300.76			300.76
Salaries of clerical assistants	91.00			91.00
Supplies and other expenses	368.65			368.65
Operation of School Plant:				
Salaries of janitors	582.00			582.00
Fuel or heat	637.68			637.68
Water, light, supplies and expenses	508.36			508.36
Maintenance of School Plant:				
Repairs and replacements	1,009.32			1,009.32



Auxiliary Activities:			
Health Supervision	319.47		319.47
Transportation	2,000.00		2,000.00
Tuition	6,953.20	6,828.20	125.00
Special activities and funds	101.15		101.15
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	499.16		499.16
Insurance, treas. bond and expenses	181.44		181.44
Total Net Current Expenses	22,965.20	6,842.20	16,123.00
Capital Outlay:			
Additions and improvements to buildings	358.00		358.00
New equipment	310.30		310.30
Debt and Interest:			
Principal of debt	3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
Interest on debt	739.98	739.98	
Total Net Payments for All Purposes	\$27,373.48	\$3,739.98	\$16,791.30
Cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1952)		\$6,842.20	
General Fund	695.40		
Capital Outlay Fund	242.00		
Grand Total	\$28,310.88		

## BUDGET WORK SHEET

This is a presentation of the budget work sheet upon which your School Board has been operating during the 1952-53 school year and their proposed budget for the 1953-54 school year. It must be taken into consideration that monies appropriated in the month of March, to be used for the following year do not necessarily correspond in individual items because of the impossibility of projecting the rising price indexes twelve months hence.

## THE ATKINSON SCHOOL BOARD

	Expended	Approp.	Proposed
	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
ADMINISTRATION			
Salaries of District Officers	\$300.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
Superintendent's Salary	247.13	253.40	283.50
Tax for State Wide Supervision	188.00	210.00	208.00
Salaries of Adm. Personnel	141.54	154.22	181.16
Supplies and Other Expenses	209.54	232.26	213.18
INSTRUCTION			
Salaries of Teachers and Principals	8,121.22	8,649.54	8,616.32
Books and Other Instructional Aids	205.58	300.00	200.00
Scholars' Supplies	300.76	350.00	200.00
Salaries of Clerical Assistants	91.00	100.00	100.00
Other Instructional Expenses	368.65	462.37	379.72
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT			
Salaries of Janitors	582.00	635.00	635.00
Fuel or heat	637.68	780.00	700.00
Water, Light, and Other Expenses	508.36	500.00	510.75

## MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and Replacements

1,009.32 400.00 165.00

## AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

Health Supervision

319.47 546.51 538.72

Transportation

2,000.00 2,100.00 2,100.00

Tuition

6,953.20 8,750.00 8,000.00

Special Fund Activities

101.15 150.00 100.00

## FIXED CHARGES

State Retirement

499.16 545.10 555.21

Insurance, Bonds, and Expenses

181.44 150.00 150.00

## CAPITAL OUTLAY

Lands &amp; New Buildings

500.00 500.00 500.00

Additions and Imp. to Property

358.00 100.00 100.00

Equipment

310.30 100.00 150.00

Payments into Capital Reserve

## DEBT, INTEREST AND OTHER CHARGES

Payments of Principal of Debt

3,000.00 3,000.00 2,999.00

Payments of Interest on Debt

739.98 669.98 600.00

Contingency Fund

100.00 100.00 100.00

Totals

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\$27,373.48

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\$30,013.38

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\$28,060.56

## INCOME

Cash on hand

Received 1951-52	Est. Receipts 1952-53 March 1952	Estimated Receipts 1953-54
\$68.71	\$	*\$ 1,207.60 † 1,717.00
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		2,924.60
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		20,742.25
		<hr/>
		4,393.71
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		126.03
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		\$28,310.88
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		\$30,013.38
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		\$28,060.56

From Town Appropriation  
State Aid  
Other

Total Income

\*Actual Balance of Town Appropriation for School  
Purposes.

†Estimated Balance School Account.

## BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1952

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Cash on hand	\$937.40	Haverhill Chain Link Fence Co.	\$255.00
Total Assets	<u>\$937.40</u>	Misc. Acct's.—retaining wall and work on school grounds	225.00
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	\$28,541.60	Notes and Bonds Outstanding	28,999.00
		Total Liabilities	<u>\$29,479.00</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$29,479.00</u>	Grand Total	<u>\$29,479.00</u>

## STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Name of Building or Project for which Notes or Bonds were Issued.	Rockwell School
Outstanding at Beginning of year	\$31,999.00
Payments of Principal of Debt	3,000.00
Notes and Bonds Outstanding at End of Year	<u>\$28,999.00</u>

## MINUTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

March 13, 1952

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by the moderator, Harry B. Tuttle, who, after reading the warrant, declared the polls to be open. The polls were closed at 8:30 P.M., and it was

VOTED: to postpone the counting of ballots until after the close of the business meeting.

Under Article 5—On motion duly made and seconded, the following salaries and compensations were fixed and determined:

School Board Members	\$325.00
Truant Officer	20.00
Census Taker	25.00
Moderator	5.00
Clerk	5.00
Treasurer	30.00
Auditors	10.00

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\$420.00

Under Article 6—On motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: to approve the annual report of the School Board as printed in the annual report of the Town with corrections of typographical errors as noted.

Under Article 8—On motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: that the school district raise and appropriate \$29,513.38 and authorize and direct the school board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the school board exclusive of state aid, and upon the determination of the amount of state aid to be received by the school district during the next fiscal year, to authorize and direct the school board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from state aid and with the school district clerk certify to the selectmen the

balance as an assessment to be raised by the town for school purposes.

Under Article 9—On motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: to authorize the school board to make application for and to receive in the name of the district such advances, grants-in-aid or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the federal or state agencies or local or private agencies.

Under Article 10—A motion was duly made and seconded to lay Article 10 on the table. This motion was defeated, there being 5 votes cast in the affirmative and 13 votes cast in the negative. After due discussion, a motion was duly made and seconded, and it was

VOTED: To raise and appropriate five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for the purpose of laying hot-top on the school grounds, the areas to be covered to be left to the discretion of the school board.

At the invitation of the chairman of the school board and with the consent of the voters present, Superintendent Osgood made a few remarks relative to education in Atkinson.

9:45 P.M. On motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED: to adjourn.

Ballots were counted and the following officers were declared elected:

Moderator for one year	Harry B. Tuttle
Clerk for one year	Malcolm C. Noyes
Member of the School Board for three years	Austin B. Wason
Treasurer for one year	Lillian E. Wright
Auditor for one year	Harlon C. Dyke
Auditor for one year	Philo A. Hutcheson

- Respectfully submitted,

MALCOLM C. NOYES,

*Clerk.*

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board and Citizens of Atkinson:

The educational efforts of the Public Schools in Atkinson are directed toward the development in each pupil, according to his abilities and capacities, such habits, attitudes, knowledge and skills as will enable him to live usefully, successfully and happily in a democratic society. Our schools accept the individual where his is, as his is, and provide opportunities for him to develop to his maximum growth.

In this my third annual report as Superintendent of your schools you will find details under the following headings:

## SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 55

Because of the relatively large number of changes and increases in population in Supervisory Union No. 55 during the past few years, I am taking this opportunity for the first time, to describe briefly the organization of this Supervisory Union (No. 55), which includes the School Districts of Atkinson, Hampstead, Newton, Plaistow and Salem.

In 1951, the total valuation of these districts was \$10,079,-058.00 and the total school budgets for the 1952-53 school year amounts to \$411,408.01. There are 18 different buildings in use for school purposes—including two high schools, the Woodbury High School in Salem and the Hampstead High School. These buildings accommodate a total of 1,767 pupils. A total of 167 high school pupils are educated by the three districts not maintaining high schools, by sending them to neighboring high schools.

The districts within his Union employ 70 people, including the Superintendent of Schools, teachers, principals, school nurses, supervisors, and office personnel. Other school personnel, consisting of custodians and school lunch workers make a total of 91 employees within the Supervisory Union.

The School Boards of these 5 districts meet—as a Supervisory Union Board — once during the month of December as



prescribed by law, to prepare a budget for the following school year (July 1 to June 30) of all expenses which are shared by these five districts, and again in the spring to nominate and set the salary of a superintendent and to employ other personnel which work for the Union. Each year these boards meet at other times to consider problems common to the group and to promote better educational opportunities for the children in their areas.

Expenses of the Supervisory Union include the salary of the superintendent of schools (a base amount of \$2,275.00 of which is paid by the State), the expense of secretarial help and of the Supervisory Union office equipment and supplies, and other salaries and expenses as approved by the School Boards and by the districts. The Supervisory Union Board apportions the total amount of the Union Budget among the five districts as prescribed by law, on the following basis: "The basis for the apportionment shall be one-half on the average membership for the previous year and one-half on the last assessed valuation of the district."<sup>1</sup> Another expense of the Supervisory Union is the salary of the Elementary Consultant, a position which has been added since the last school year.

To fill the position of Elementary Consultant, the Boards selected Miss Natalie Hopkins of Manchester, New Hampshire. Miss Hopkins has had experience in teaching various grade combinations in public schools in New Hampshire before she returned to the Plymouth Teachers College in 1948 to complete requirements for the Bachelor's Degree. While at Plymouth, she served in the teacher training school of that college. During 1950-52, she attended Columbia Teachers College and received her Master's Degree in Education.

Mrs. Blanche Turner and Miss Lillian Chmiesleski continue their outstanding work as secretary and assistant secretary respectively, in the Supervisory Union office which is located in the new Central School in Salem.

In addition to the items mentioned above which are common to the *whole* Supervisory Union, all districts except Salem, share in the expenses of a school nurse and of a supervisor of vocal music.

<sup>1</sup> Chapter 135, Section 47—Revised School Laws

To replace Mrs. Jessie Soule, who had served as school nurse in Supervisory Union No. 55 for 13 years, and who accepted a full-time position in Salem as of September 1952, the School Boards of Atkinson, Hampstead, Newton and Plaistow employed Gwendolyn Curtis of Plaistow. Miss Curtis received her training at the Worcester State Hospital and the Boston City Hospital, both in Massachusetts, and has done private and special duty nursing during the past 21 years. She attended a two-week workshop for school nurse-teachers at Plymouth Teachers College during the past summer, and also during the summer of 1952, she received 6 credits in public health and school nursing at the Plattsburg, New York, Teachers College.

To replace Mrs. Prudence Douglas, who had served for the past two years as supervisor of vocal music, the School Boards of Atkinson, Plaistow, Hampstead and Newton secured the services of Carlton Thorne of Medford, Massachusetts, on a basis of 3½ days per week. Mr. Thorne graduated from Lowell Teachers' College in 1952, and had done cadet teaching in the public schools of Lowell and Somerville, Massachusetts.

The Boards of Education in Supervisory Union No. 55 use their educational resources to the imperative of building a peaceful world by teaching and practicing democratic human relations in the schools.

## SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND CENSUS

In September, 1952, there were 99 children enrolled in the Rockwell School as compared to 90 in September of 1951. The following tabulations show the enrollment as of September, 1952, in the Rockwell School by grade, and the number of Atkinson pupils in High School at that time.

Enrollment and Grade Assignment									
Teacher	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Alice Scott	13	18							31
Stella M. Olsen*			15	18					33
Charles Yeaton					9	10	5	11	35
Total Enrollment									99

\*Replaced January 5th by Helen Dwyer

## Other School Personnel:

Carlton Thorne, Music Supervisor

Gwendolyn Curtis, Nurse-teacher

Natalie Hopkins, Elementary Consultant

## Number of Atkinson Pupils Enrolled in High Schools 1952-53

	Grade				Total
	9	10	11	12	
Haverhill High School (Haverhill, Mass.)	3	5	2	7	17
Sanborn Seminary (Kingston, N. H.)	0	1	0	1	2
Woodbury High School (Salem, N. H.)	1	1	1	0	3
Haverhill Trade School (Haverhill, Mass.)	1	3	0	0	4
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Totals	5	10	3	8	26

The following is a summary and comparison of School Census figures for the past three years:

Age	Total 1950	Total 1951	Total 1952
Less than 1	9	10	15
1	5	9	12
2	15	9	13
3	5	17	8
4	9	10	21
5	17	12	9
6	11	18	12
7	15	17	18
8	12	18	9
9	9	12	15
11	5	7	10
12	7	4	9
13	14	6	5
14	7	13	5
15	5	7	15
16	7	6	5
17	not reported		7*
18	not reported		1*
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Totals	162	183	209

(\*not added into total)

## SCHOOL HOUSING

The School Board has been alert to make necessary repairs to the School building and considerable work was done to the school grounds during the past summer. A hot-top walk was made to the front door of the school from the street, another section was hot-topped on the playground, and a retaining wall was built at the far end of the area to make more play area and to prevent crumbling.

For the general good and enjoyment of the Atkinson children, it is possible that provisions may be made whereby the land across from the Rockwell School may be procured by the school district for school playground purposes. The present playground is somewhat small for so many children, and it is not large enough for such activities as touch-football, baseball, etc.

## PERSONNEL AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Atkinson was fortunate to have the three teachers of the last school year return to their respective positions last September, but was unfortunate in losing the services of Stella Olsen as of January, 1953. Mrs. Olsen had taught in Atkinson for twenty years and relinquished her position to attend school in California. The well-attended testimonial gathering of all teachers in Atkinson, Hampstead, Plaistow and Newton in December, and the excellent community-wide program sponsored by the Atkinson Parent-Teacher Association in honor of Mrs. Olsen on December 17th indicated the popularity of Mrs. Olsen with her co-workers and neighbors.

Mr. Charles Yeaton has been appointed acting Principal for the remainder of the current school year, and Mrs. Helen Dwyer of Lawrence, Massachusetts, was selected to replace Mrs. Olsen as teacher of the third and fourth grades. Mrs. Dwyer has had experience in the elementary grades in Seekonk and Lawrence, Massachusetts.

All Atkinson teachers have continued to belong to the local, state and national professional teacher organizations. Several of the Atkinson teachers took advantage of an extension course in guidance which was taught by Mr. John Radasch, the Director of Guidance with our State Department of Education, during the latter part of the 1951-52 school year. All of our Atkinson teachers have just completed a course in Art Education which

was taught in Salem by Dr. Alice Baumgartner, the Director of Art Education with our State Department of Education, assisted by Mr. John Sawyer, the Director of Art Education in the public schools of Needham, Massachusetts.

## THE CURRICULUM AND EXTENDED SERVICES

In the elementary grades we continue to stress *training for citizenship* with emphasis on the fundamentals, physical welfare of the children, social studies and elementary science. Since the discontinuance of an Art Supervisor for the schools, the teachers have continued with art as a part of the total offerings, but it would be of value to the esthetic lives of the children to employ an art supervisor when the finances permit. Art Education provides an excellent opportunity for self-expression which is so important in the modern educational picture.

Although reports of Acting-Principal Yeaton and Miss Hopkins (Elementary Consultant) discuss in some detail some phases of teaching, audio-visual aids and testing, it is well to emphasize that teachers in Atkinson have had the advantage of professional help in reading and in testing, from professional specialists provided by various publishers. Our testing program has included mental maturity, standardized achievement, and various other subject matter tests. It is through these aids that all school personnel is able to better understand and therefore offer greater assistance to the individual child.

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Atkinson Parent-Teacher Association continues to maintain a wholesome and positive interest in school affairs. It is through this organization that parents and teachers have an opportunity to become better acquainted and therefore, through a better understanding of mutual problems, to more effectively work with the children. During the past year the Parent-Teacher Association and the Women's Club have continued to provide milk for underprivileged children in the Rockwell School.

## FINANCES

School costs, as do most others, continue to increase. It is believed that all people who are familiar with our present educational program will agree that all district monies are wisely spent.

Atkinson continues to spend less per pupil than most districts in New Hampshire.

"Higher prices in the past decade have reduced the value of the teacher's dollar, just as they have reduced the value of everybody's dollar. Two other problems, however, are even more acute for teachers. First, even before prices began to rise, teachers' incomes were far below professional levels. And second, the salaries of teachers have lagged behind or barely kept pace with the advancing level of wages and salaries of other workers."<sup>1</sup>

Atkinson received \$4,393.71 in the form of State Aid to Education for the current school year. The amount of State Aid which Atkinson would receive for the next two years is dependent upon the formula adopted by the 1951 State Legislature and the amount which may be appropriated by the 1953 State Legislature. A proposed bill requests \$1,200,000 as compared to the \$600,000 raised during each of the past two years.

The following statements are taken from a recent Educational Survey Bulletin — "It costs a lot of money to run the country's school system—about \$6 billion a year for operating expenses and buildings. For the nation as a whole, the estimated expenditures for a pupil in average daily attendance is \$216. However, our nation spent 3 times as much last year for alcoholic beverages, tobacco and cosmetics as for the education of 25 million boys and girls of school age."<sup>2</sup>

The following quotation from Dwight D. Eisenhower further emphasizes the need for continued support of the educational program: "To neglect our school system would be a crime against the future. Such neglect would well be more disastrous to all our freedoms than the most formidable assault on our physical defense . . . Where our schools are concerned, no external threat can excuse negligence, no menace justify a halt to progress."

<sup>1</sup> National Education Association News—Volume 7, No. 1, January 9, 1953

<sup>2</sup> Droke House, Indianapolis—November 2, 1952

## CONCLUSION

Looking at Education *Nationwide*, we find that the following recommendations may be put into practice in the future:

- (1) More television channels assigned to education

- (2) More new classrooms to meet a national shortage of a half a million instruction units
- (3) More vocational programs
- (4) Set up foreign language instruction in lower grades
- (5) More time for world affairs and foreign policy in high schools

Again I wish to thank the Members of the School Board and all others with whom I have worked to make the schools effective.

Respectfully submitted,

JONATHAN A. OSGOOD,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

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“HISTORY WOULDN’T REPEAT ITSELF SO OFTEN  
IF THE WORLD WOULD ONLY LISTEN”

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE ROCKWELL SCHOOL

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I am pleased to have the opportunity to present the annual principal's report on the activities of the last year at the Rockwell School. The teaching staff well realizes the loss to the school caused by the resignation of Mrs. Olsen. We are striving, however, to maintain the high level of instruction and school operation experienced during her administration. We continue in our efforts to develop in each child the skills necessary for secondary school and also to instill such attitudes as responsibility toward one's country and understanding of one's fellow men.

Professional improvement has been one important aim of the teachers during the last year. All of the teachers completed an art education course in Salem last fall. Mrs. Olsen represented the school at a conference on pupil guidance in Portsmouth.

The showing of films has become an important part of our educational program. We intend to average about one film a week.

To indicate the varied scope of this program, a number of films which have been given are as follows: "Historic New England," "Navajo Children," "Earth in Motion," "Daniel Boone," "Heidi," and "Improving Your Posture."

Television as a medium of education was recently introduced at the Rockwell School when pupils viewed the inauguration proceedings.

Our school library is enlarged by books brought by the Bookmobile, a service of the State Library. Children have an opportunity to select books which are of special interest to them. Teachers are also encouraged to choose books which relate to the various subject areas.

The special activities of the pupils of Rockwell School have been numerous and varied. Informal touch football and baseball games with Hampstead and Plaistow have greatly increased pupil interest in sports. In spite of defeats by these larger schools, we have witnessed no manifestations of poor sportsmanship or lack



of enthusiasm on the part of our pupils at any of these contests. These contacts with boys from other communities have been worthwhile experiences.

A highlight of last year was the school operetta in which all pupils took part. Much credit must be given to parents and friends who assisted with costumes and properties and to Mrs. Douglas, who directed this very successful production. Proceeds from this venture were used to finish paying for the motion picture projector.

The second pre-school clinic for prospective first graders was held last spring. Children and parents were given an opportunity to become acquainted with the primary teacher and the school. The school nurse was also present to answer questions pertaining to health.

As has become customary, simple but impressive graduation exercises were held for the eighth grade. Parents and friends of graduates were invited. The Good Citizenship Medal, awarded by the Sons of the American Revolution, was won by Barbara White. Barbara was doubly honored as she also received the medal presented by the American Legion of Plaistow for the best essay written by pupils of Atkinson and the surrounding towns. This was the third consecutive year that an Atkinson pupil has won this award.

Last fall the school observed Parents' Day during National Education Week. A large number of parents took advantage of this opportunity to see their children at work.

The rhythm band of the primary room has performed on several occasions including the operetta and graduation exercises.

Pupils contributed to the Junior Red Cross and to the March of Dimes.

Parties were enjoyed at Christmas, Halloween and Valentine's Day. The Christmas Party also served as a farewell party for Mrs. Olsen. The children presented her with a gift and prepared messages of farewell for her.

To conclude, I wish to express my appreciation to all members of this school staff for their assistance and co-operation while I have been teaching in Atkinson and especially since I have undertaken the responsibilities of the principalship. May I also thank the parents and friends of the Atkinson children for their loyal

support and for their keen interest in the activities of the Rockwell School.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES YEATON,

*Acting Principal.*

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## FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY CONSULTANT

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To Mr. Jonathan A. Osgood, Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my first annual report as Elementary Consultant of the Rockwell School in Atkinson.

It is most difficult for me to put into words the deep feeling of gratitude I have for all the members of the staff, the children in our school and the people of the community for so graciously making me one of them.

The first few months of the school year, I have spent becoming acquainted with our schools, our teachers and the children.

It was amazing to find so many new and excellent text books in the hands of the children. This, however, does not mean that there are a sufficient number. For example: the basic readers in use are one of the best, but we need to supplement these with others. It is important to have a variety of reading books in order to meet the interest and reading levels of all the children. The interest variance is understandable but it must also be realized that the reading levels, in one classroom, may range from one to five years either above or below the actual grade placement. To help the children, there should be in each classroom a library of easy to read books for fun and reference books, gradated in difficulty, for the content subjects such as, history, geography and science.

It is a pleasure to see the fine work being carried on in our classrooms in the teachers of Atkinson. Our children are work-

ing in the classrooms where a healthy, happy and friendly environment exists. In order to help the teachers individualize their instruction, achievement tests were given to all children, except first graders, in the Rockwell School in November. This type test shows the strength and weaknesses of the pupil's academic skills in reading, language, arithmetic, spelling, science, geography and history. The results of these tests indicate that not all of the children have achieved as much as their ability permits. The cause varies with the individual student.

The parents might help by visiting the schools often so that there might be a better understanding between the parent and the teacher and closer co-operation between the school and the home.

A test of mental maturity was given to all the fourth graders this fall. The results of this test helps us to determine whether or not a child is working to capacity. Sometimes, we as educators, without such helps, are likely to expect more of a child than he is capable of doing, or quite the opposite, we might be satisfied with the results another child shows when it is far below his potential.

There has been in use in our schools, a permanent record sheet for each child where pertinent data is kept. In addition to this, there has been started a cumulative record folder for each child where more and varied results of his school career can be kept. This should prove beneficial to the present teacher, the teacher next in line, the administrator, and to the child himself.

Much of my work has been chatting with children who have problems — helping them to understand these problems and trying to find a solution for them. This is carried a step further by talking with the teachers and the parents of these children so that they, too, may better understand this child and his problem.

Now that the teachers and I are acquainted, meetings are being held to discuss such topics as primary reading, intermediate arithmetic, spelling and handwriting. The discussion topic comes as a request from teachers.

A very limited remedial reading program has been carried on in the Rockwell School. The co-operation of the teachers, for

this added work, is appreciated. We could benefit greatly by the addition of a remedial teacher.

Respectfully submitted,

NATALIE A. HOPKINS,

Elementary Consultant,

Supervisory Union No. 55.

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

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To Mr. Jonathan A. Osgood, Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music at the Rockwell School in Atkinson, New Hampshire.

The program of music in the primary grades has consisted of an abundance of rote singing, good singing habits, action songs, rhythm training, dynamics, tone quality, interpretation, and rhythm band. Whenever possible, help has been given to the individual uncertain singer. The Rockwell School has an excellent selection of rhythm band instruments, and the primary grade children have benefited greatly by them. Grades two and three, along with their rote singing, have worked on rote-note songs from the book in preparation for music reading.

Because I believe that children should be given the opportunity to take part in as many phases of music as possible, I have tried to encourage the children's interest in instrumental music as well as vocal. Discussions of the various musical instruments have been held and in the classroom the children have seen and heard the instruments being played. They have been given the opportunity to handle the different instruments. This experience has contributed a great deal to the children's understanding and appreciation of music.

The boys and girls of the intermediate and junior high school grades have been given the opportunity to study a musical instrument through weekly group lessons at the school. At the present time there are nine children studying a musical instrument by

means of this class instruction; two trumpet players, three clarinetists, three saxophone players, and one violinist. These children have been taking their weekly lessons after school hours at the school. Might I suggest that, since I believe these instrumental lessons should be considered a part of the children's general education, it would be most desirable to have a meeting place for them whereby the lessons could be given during the school day. Increased participation in this instrumental work could very well lead to an elementary school band or orchestra in the future.

In the intermediate grades, the vocal program has included rote singing, rote-note singing, singing of folk songs, music reading, unison singing, two-part music, and work on expression and dynamics. Although one classroom has children of four different grade levels, (five through eight), I have endeavored to choose songs and subject matter which will be in the common interest and ability of all.

I'm quite sure that the children's experience with music this year has been most valuable. My main objective has been to have music experiences that take an active part in the general education and up-bringing of the children.

In closing, I should like to thank Superintendent Osgood, all the teachers and the parents with whom I have come in contact, for their co-operation and kindness. My initial teaching experience has been most pleasant and valuable.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLTON R. THORNE,

*Supervisor of Music.*

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## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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To Mr. Jonathan A. Osgood, Superintendent of Schools:

Complete medical examinations are being done for the pupils in grades one, four and eight by Dr. Raymond Moore, M.D. I feel this program is of benefit to the pupils. Notification of all

defects found was sent home and referral work followed up where necessary.

Pre-school round-up for children entering school in September was held in June at which time I assisted Mrs. Soule. The home room teacher, principal and nurse-teacher were present to meet the parents and children. Health histories and registrations were taken at this time.

Routine visits were made to all classrooms to check on conditions, give health talks and to instruct pupils in Posture Classes which have been started this year, and to check absenteeism.

Many home visits have been made this year to discuss physical defects and other problems, to obtain a better understanding of what may be accomplished by the health program in the school. Home visitations help the parents and nurse-teacher to become better acquainted and build up a feeling of mutual understanding, sympathy and friendliness by working together for the welfare of the child.

The Supervisory Union Districts with which I work are purchasing a Massachusetts Vision Test and a Color Vision Tester which is being introduced into our schools for the first time this year. This test is for Color Blindness and will be done in the fifth grade only.

The Health Education Program is greatly augmented by the use of audio-visual material obtained through the courtesy of the New Hampshire Board of Health. Films such as "How to Catch a Cold," "Dental Health," "Priceless Cargo," "Student Flyer," "The Safest Way" and many others have been shown to give a background of clearly applied health information based on scientific knowledge so that the pupils might learn to take responsibilities in regards to their own health behavior.

The nurse-teacher is no longer employed merely to administer First-Aid, check heights and weights, do routine cursory examinations, Visual and Hearing Tests, Color Vision Tests, assist the Physician in Medical examinations and transport sick children to their homes, but now works with the principal and teachers in a close link between the classroom and the home and is often called upon to act as an interpreter of the school program and individual homes and to acquaint the school personnel with conditions in the home. She is often consulted by pupil, teacher

and parent in conjunction with the school health program, home and personal problems.

It is impossible to evaluate the many benefits derived from the school health program. The benefits of the program are often felt by the pupil throughout his life.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation for the fine co-operation of the School Board, Mr. Osgood, Mrs. Olsen, parents, teachers, and local organizations. My work would have been quite futile without their interest and support.

Respectfully submitted,

GWENDOLYN A. CURTIS, R. N.

## STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING

June 30, 1952

ROCKWELL SCHOOL.	Boys	Girls	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Grades 1-2	21	12	33	33.69	30.25	89.77*
Grades 3-5	21	8	29	26.69	24.46	91.48
Grades 6-8	16	13	29	31.04	28.66	92.32
Totals	58	33	91	91.42	83.37	91.7 *

\* The 1951-1952 school year was marked by the occurrence of communicable diseases and virus infections, particularly among children in the lower grades.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 1952-1953

Teachers' Meeting	Thursday, September 4th
Fall Term Begins	Friday, September 5th
Fall Term Closes	Tuesday, December 23rd
Winter Term Begins	Monday, January 5th
Winter Term Closes	Friday, February 20th
Mid-winter Term Begins	Monday, March 2nd
Mid-winter Term Closes	Friday, April 17th
Spring Term Begins	Monday, April 27th
Spring Term Closes	On or about Friday, June 19th

## HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day—(Sunday, October 12th)	October 13th
Thanksgiving Recess—November 27th and 28th.	
(Memorial Day, May 30th, falls on Saturday)	

## DAYS CREDITED FOR PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

State Teachers' Convention	Friday, October 17th
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By ruling of the State Board of Education, schools must be session for 180 days.









## TEAM WORK WILL DO THE JOB!

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Team work has won victories from time immemorial — for families, towns, cities, states and nations. Team work is the highest form and most democratic example of co-operation. Without team work, America and Americans would never have achieved the greatness that is theirs. We are all aware of its power and appeal. It is no less needed now than in the past.

Team work among those who live, work and recreate in and near the woodlands is vital. There never was a time when our woodlands as a whole were in such precarious condition as they are now.

Since the hurricane, nearly 900,000 acres of slash have been added to our already sizable slash problem. If we are to avoid unnecessary trouble with fire in our woodland areas everyone must co-operate — we must have team work. The remedy is simple —

YOU and YOU and You and You

MUST secure the required permit from your local forest fire warden before burning.

MUST use necessary precautions while burning or smoking in or near woodlands.

MUST not throw lighted cigars, cigarettes and matches from vehicles moving along highways.

Otherwise YOU might well contribute to a costly and damaging fire. And don't forget that fire might destroy your own property!

REMEMBER — Only YOU and YOU and YOU can prevent fire!

## TEAM WORK WILL DO THE JOB!

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Number of local fires	2
Number of acres burned	5
Number of permits issued	22

WARD W. WRIGHT, Forest Fire Warden.

MERTON A. WEBBER, District Chief.